Chateaubriand Fellowship Program

Call for Applications 2024-2025

The Chateaubriand Fellowship program 2024-2025 is now accepting applications, from October 10, 2023, to January 19, 2024.

The Chateaubriand Fellowship is a grant offered by the Embassy of France in the United States. It supports outstanding PhD students registered in a U.S. institution who wish to conduct part of their doctoral research in France for a period ranging from 4 to 9 months. Chateaubriand fellows are selected through a merit-based competition, with expert evaluation in France and in the United States.

The Fellowship is divided into two subprograms:

**STEM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics & Health**

The Chateaubriand Fellowship in Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics & Biology-Health for doctoral students aims to initiate or reinforce partnerships or joint projects between French and U.S. research teams.

This fellowship is offered by the Office for Science & Technology (OST) of the French Embassy, in partnership with universities and research organizations in France and the United States. It is a partner of the National Science Foundation’s GROW program.

**HSS: Humanities and Social Sciences**

The Chateaubriand Fellowship in Humanities and Social Sciences is offered by the Cultural Services of the French Embassy. The HSS program targets outstanding PhD students enrolled in U.S institutions who seek to engage in research in France in any discipline of the Humanities and Social Sciences.

The HSS Chateaubriand program is supported by Campus France which provides assistance to fellows on site. Social networking opportunities are also offered by Fulbright France.
Application Overview

Eligibility:

• Candidates must be currently working on their Ph.D.
• Candidates do not have to be U.S. citizens but must be enrolled in a U.S. institution. French nationals and dual US/French citizens are not eligible to apply.
• Candidates must obtain a letter of support from their advisor(s) in the U.S., as well as a letter of invitation from a professor affiliated with a French university or research institution.

For more specific eligibility criteria please visit our website.

Benefits:

• A monthly stipend of up to €1750
• Health insurance for the entire duration of the fellowship
• A round-trip ticket to France

Selection Criteria:

• Academic relevance of the research project
• Applicant’s command of the subject
• Applicant’s command of the Literature in the Field
• Added Value of Research in France
• Contribution to FR/US Research Dialogue

Contacts:

• STEM Chateaubriand Program: stem.coordinator@chateaubriand-fellowship.org
• HSS Chateaubriand Program: hss.chateaubriand.fellowship@gmail.com

Apply here:

STEM: https://form.jotform.com/212654433523148
HSS: https://form.jotform.com/212593768594068
REQUESTED DOCUMENTS

All applications require that you upload the following documents:

**ONLY PDF DOCUMENTS.**

**Detailed description of your research project:**

This description is your opportunity to explain your research project and specific strength as a candidate. It should be well-organized and developed and include, but is not limited to, the following points:

• Objectives and nature of your research
• Academic context of the project
• Feasibility of your research (in terms of resources and time)
• Research facilities and resources you will use in the host country
• Significance of your research project for your discipline
• Impact on institutional collaboration between your home and host universities/laboratories

**Format requirements:**

• 3 pages (not including the bibliography)
• single spaced
• 12-point font
• 1-inch margins
Letter of Support from your U.S. advisor:

In this letter, your dissertation advisor in the U.S. agrees that part of your thesis will be co-supervised by a French colleague. This letter should also highlight the merits of your project and explain how a stay in France would be useful to both the research team and your project.

It should also explain how your project in France will strengthen the existing or planned collaboration between your home and host laboratories.

Applicants are responsible for obtaining and uploading the letter of invitation to the online application form. Please be in touch with your advisor as early as possible.

Format requirements:

• On letterhead and signed (recommended)
• 1-2 pages (recommended)

Letter of invitation from your host institution:

This letter must be from your project advisor in France agreeing to co-supervise part of your dissertation and expressing their interest in hosting you.

This letter should also describe the existing or planned collaboration between the home and host laboratories and include information about what your stay in France will bring to the host lab and your project.

Applicants are responsible for obtaining and uploading the letter of invitation to the online application form. Please be in touch with your supervisor in France as early as possible.

Format requirements:

• On letterhead and signed (recommended)
• 1-2 pages (recommended)

Letter of recommendation:

The application requires at least one letter of recommendation. You can add a second letter of recommendation as an optional document.

Your recommendation letter should be emailed to the respective program manager for the Chateaubriand fellowship, depending on if you are applying for the STEM or HSS fellowship.

Letters of recommendations can be submitted by your recommender(s) after you submit the
application but **must be submitted by the application deadline.**

The letter of recommendation must be from a professor who knows your work but who is not your US or French advisor.

**Format requirements:**
- On letterhead and signed (recommended)
- 1-2 pages (recommended)

**Transcripts:**

Please upload copies of your transcripts for the degrees listed in the “Academic Background” section.

Unofficial transcripts are accepted. If necessary, transcripts must be translated into either English or French.